Statement

List Showing the Pending Cases (Year-Wise) as on 1-6-1993

Year	District/Addl. Distt. Judges	Sessions/Addl. Sessions Judges	Chief/Addl. Chief/ Metropolitan Magistrates	Senior/Sub-ordinate judges	Rent/Addl. Rent Controllers Delhi
1993	5679	2304	55996	8805	2923
1992	8645	4293	83202	16510	4624
1991	6706	4084	68428	11178	2786
1990	4521	2550	52391	8395	2408
1989	1934	1178	33747	7863	2118
1988	1166	904	8682	6513	1407
1987	584	652	7642	5565	1385
1986	453	360	7704	3581	968
1985	319	79	5390	2601	642
1984	256	48	2967	441	550
1983	104	16	3087	1340	432
1982	69	2	1979	869	370
1981	43	3	1870	323	248
1980	53	—	315	349	192
1979	23	1	88	357	135
1978	15	—	59	307	52
1977	8	—	24	180	36
1976	8	—	25	201	36
1975	2	—	7	93	5
1974	3	—	2	80	2
1973	2	—	2	42	21
1972	4	—	1	307	11
1971	2	—	6	29	7
1970	4	—	2	132	2
1969	1	—	2	12	3
1968	—	—	2	7	—
1967	—	—	—	9	—
1966	—	—	—	3	—
1965	—	—	—	1	—
1964	—	—	—	—	—
	30604	16474	333620	76093	21383

The period since when these cases are pending is mentioned in the enclosed statement (see below). Instructions are issued from time to time to the Presiding Officers to dispose of old cases expeditiously.

Legislation on electoral reforms

3188. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have held any discussions with various political parties with regard to the bringing forward of a package of electroal reforms, if so, the details of the talks held and outcome thereof;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when Government propose to bring forward a legislation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ):

(a) and (c) Government after considering various proposals on electoral reforms made by the Committee on Electoral Reforms (popularly known as Dinesh Goswami Committee) and the Election Commission of India Finanlised a comprehensive package on electroral reforms. These proposals were discussed with political parties and after taking into account their veiws, Government introduced a Bill namely, the Representation of the People (Second Amendment) Bill, 1994 in Lok Sabha on 13th June, 1994.

(b) Does not arise.

Amendment of Chartered Accountants Act

3189. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India have suggested to Government to amend the Chartered Accountants Act to strengthen the disciplinary action on the erring members,

(b) if so, what are the suggestions of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India; and

(c) by when Government Propose to bring about the amendments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India have sent a comprehensive proposal to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949. The proposal includes inter alia amendments to the provisions relating to disciplinary proceedings. These relate to rationalisation of provisions relating to defining what constitutes misconduct, how the enquiries are to be conducted, giving the member concerned the opportunity of being heard, defining the powers of the Council in awarding punishments etc., etc.

(c) No final decision has been taken by the Government on the proposals of the Institute.

Enrolment of a Government servant in the Bar Council

3190. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1450 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, 1994 and state:

(a) whether the Bar Council of Delhi has, in a case, held that Government servant who may not have been appointed a Law Officer but who has been designated by his department as such to appear in the Courts other than Central Administrative Tribunal can also be enrolled as an advocate by the Bar Council even while being a full-time paid Government servant;

(b) if so, the extent to which the Bar Council of Delhi is justified and correct in overruling the rule 103 of the Rules of the Bar Council of Delhi framed under rule 49 of the Bar Council of India Rules; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take in upholding the true sanctity of the rules and the spirit under which they have been framed and to remove all misgivings therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) The Bar Council of Delhi enrolled a Government servants as an advocate on the basis of a certificate furnished by his Department to the effect that he is performing the duties of a Law Officer and that he is required by the terms of his appointment to act and plead in the courts on behalf of the Government. Against the enrolment of the person, the Bar Council of India has received a complaint and the matter is under examination of the Bar Council of India.

(c) The Bar Council of India have issued instructions to all the State Bar Councils against enrolment of Government servants who are not law Officers.

विभिन्न उच्च न्यायालयों में लंबित मामलों की संख्या

3191. श्री राघवजी: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) 31 मार्च, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार देश के विभिन्न उच्च न्यायालयों में लंबित मामलों की संख्या क्या थी;

(ख) इन मामलों में से उन मामलों की संख्या क्या है जो पांच वर्षों से अधिक समय से लंबित पड़े हैं; और